THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) to (d) The question of reserving a portion of the electricity generated at Central Power Stations for supply to Central Public Sector Undertakings, primarily in the core sector, was referred to a Committee consisting, *inter alia* of representatives from the concerned Organisations, including the State Electricity Boards. The Committee have submitted their report but no decisions have yet been taken on the Committee's recommendations.

Waiting lists for telephone connections in Andhra Pradesh

2964. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons on the waiting list at present for telephone connections at Hyderabad, Visakhapatnam, Vijayawada, Guntur, Tirupati, Warangal, Kakinada, Kurnool, Cuddapah, Eluru and Tenali in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the number of persons on the waiting lists at present in Andhra Pradesh, both in urban and rural areas separately; and

(c) what is the target date to meet the above demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) The number of persons on the waiting list as on 31-10-1988 is given as under:—

1	2
1. Hyderabad	37578
2. Visakhapatnam	2352
3. Vijayawada	5539
4. Guntur	893
5. Tirupati	569
6. Warangal	706
7. Kurnool	6607
8. Cuddapah	228
9. Eluru	169
10. Tenali	107
11. Kakinada	595

(b) the number of persons on the waiting lists as on 31-10-1988 in Urban and Rural areas of Andhra Pradesh are given as under:—

Urban areas	60572
Rural areas	2740

(c) The Seventh Plan objective is to provide telephone connections by 31-3-1990 for an average telephone demand registered upto the period as mentioned below:

1. For Hyderabad-Main Exchanges (MAX I) 30.9.1986
2. For the remaining nine exchanges in Andhra Pradesh (All MAX-I) 1.4.1987
3. For Tirupati Main Exchange (MAX II) 1.4.1988

The remaining waiting list will be cleared progressively during the Eighth Plan period.

Black listing of foreign companies

2965. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any foreign company was blacklisted by his Ministry on the Department of Telecommunications in 1987 and 1988 if so, its name, date when it was blacklisted and reasons therefor;

(b) whether the order for blacklisting was revoked later on and if so, on what date and what are the reasons for revocation;